

Mr. Belt submitted the following resolution :

Whereas, By the 21st Article of the existing Declaration of Rights of this State, it is, among other things, provided "that no freeman ought to be taken or imprisoned, or disseized of his freehold, liberties or privileges, or outlawed or exiled, or in any manner destroyed, or deprived of his life, liberty or property, but by the judgment of his peers or by the law of the land;" and whereas, on the 19th instant, this Convention did adopt the following order, to wit: "Ordered, that this Convention, representing the people of Maryland, hereby respectfully request the President of the United States and the commanders of the military departments in which Maryland is included, as an act of justice and propriety, to assess upon known sympathisers with the rebellion, resident in this State, the total amount of all losses and spoliation sustained by loyal citizens of the United States resident in this State, by reason of the recent rebel raid, to compensate loyal sufferers;" and whereas, there is an obvious conflict and contradiction between the said order and the before recited Article of the Bill of Rights; and whereas, the subject-matter of the said order is not properly within the purposes for which this Convention was called, but is irrelevant and altogether foreign to the same; Therefore

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention, the aforesaid order was improvidently passed, and that the same be and it is hereby rescinded;

Which the President ruled out of order.

Mr. Belt appealed from the decision of the Chair.

The question being,

"Shall the decision of the Chair be sustained?"

Mr. Belt demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand being sustained,

The yeas and nays were called, and appeared as follows :

AFFIRMATIVE.

Messrs.	Harwood,	Pugh,
Abbott,	Hatch,	Russell,
Annan,	Hoffman,	Sands,
Andoun,	Hopkins,	Schley,
Barron,	Hopper,	Smith, of Dor.,
Brooks,	Keefer,	Sneary,
Carter,	King,	Stirling,